

U.S. Imports: Steel Mill Products - 1st four month comparisons

Quantities in metric tons

EMBARGOED UNTIL 11 AM, 24 JUN 99

	<u>Jan-May 97</u>	<u>Jan-May 98</u>	<u>Jan-May 99*</u>	<u>% Change '98 to '99*</u>	<u>% Change '97 to 99*</u>
Steel Mill Products	12,331,293	13,225,093	12,418,963	-6.10%	0.71%
Hot-Rolled Steel**	2,554,872	3,153,615	2,030,863	-35.60%	-20.51%
Cold-Rolled Steel***	1,580,497	1,277,481	1,460,970	14.36%	-7.56%
Cut-to-Length Plate	789,199	436,759	434,833	-0.44%	-44.90%

May 1999 figures are based on preliminary Census data.

*Includes hot-rolled sheet and strip and plate in coils.

***Includes cold-rolled sheet and strip and black plate.

U.S. Imports: Steel Mill Products
All Grades - Embargoed Until 11 AM, June 24, 1999
Quantities in metric tons

	Nov '98	Dec '98	Jan '99	Feb '99	Mar '99	Apr '99	May '99*
Hot-Rolled Steel Products**							
Russia	621,188	73,610	10,599	9	20	0	0
Japan	405,974	102,302	15,394	4,734	10,839	5,983	5,489
Brazil	64,529	9,961	15,631	23,032	63	46	301

*May 1999 numbers are based on preliminary Census data.

**Includes hot-rolled sheet and strip and plate in coils.

U.S. Imports: Steel Mill Products - May Comparisons*Quantities in metric tons***Embargoed Until 11 AM, June 24, 1999**

	<u>May 1997</u>	<u>May 1998</u>	<u>May 1999*</u>	<u>% Change '98 to '99*</u>	<u>% Change '97 to 99*</u>
Steel Mill Products	2,591,911	3,329,376	2,996,987	-9.98%	15.63%
Hot-Rolled Steel**	586,603	803,092	453,309	-43.55%	-22.72%
Cold-Rolled Steel***	302,779	330,134	332,130	0.60%	9.69%
Cut-to-Length Plate	109,989	143,134	58,699	-58.99%	-46.63%

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U.S. Imports: Steel Mill Products

Quantities in metric tons - EMBARGOED UNTIL 11 AM, June 24, 1999

	<u>May '99*</u>	<u>Apr '99</u>	<u>Mar '99</u>	<u>Feb '99</u>	<u>Jan '99</u>	<u>Dec '98</u>
Primary Steel Mill Products						
Japan	275,174	197,981	269,423	192,744	382,423	395,641
Russia	147,413	22,682	37,864	56,310	47,787	151,727
Brazil	376,954	209,928	316,172	204,863	187,057	228,663
Korea	246,385	164,142	273,555	247,294	274,650	216,452
All Countries	2,996,987	2,301,768	2,600,963	2,033,924	2,485,321	2,595,632
Hot-Rolled Steel**						
Japan	5,489	5,983	10,839	4,734	15,394	102,302
Russia	0	0	20	9	10,599	73,610
Brazil	301	46	64	23,032	15,631	9,961
Korea	85,743	60,588	69,908	40,736	50,205	31,339
All Countries	453,309	415,398	409,739	285,767	466,651	517,964

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Imports Of Steel Mill Products (All Grades)
Quantities in Metric Tons

	May '97	May '98	May '99*	% Change '99 vs. '98	% Change '99 vs. '97
Semi-Finished Steel**	499,763	650,352	932,331	43.36%	86.55%
Finished Steel	2,092,148	2,679,024	2,064,656	-22.93%	-1.31%
Total Steel Mill	2,591,911	3,329,376	2,996,987	-9.98%	15.63%

*May figures based on preliminary census statistics
**Imported to manufacture finished steel products

Imports Of Steel Mill Products (All Grades)*Quantities in Metric Tons*

	April	May*	% Change May vs. April
Semi-Finished Steel**	420,588	932,331	121.67%
Finished Steel	1,881,180	2,064,656	9.75%
Total Steel Mill	2,301,768	2,996,987	30.20%

*May figures based on preliminary census statistics

**Imported to manufacture finished steel products

Imports Of Steel Mill Products (All Grades)
Quantities in Metric Tons

	1st 5 Months 1997	1st 5 Months 1998	1st 5 Months 1999*	% Change '99 vs. '98	% Change '99 vs. '97
Semi-Finished Steel**	2,773,508	2,301,273	2,683,353	16.60%	-3.25%
Finished Steel	9,557,785	10,923,819	9,735,610	-10.88%	1.86%
Total Steel Mill	12,331,293	13,225,093	12,418,963	-6.10%	0.71%

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